

# Junior Property Appraiser – Class Code 5014 Exam Code 3PB21

Department(s): Board of Equalization

Final Filing Date: Continuous

Type of Examination: Departmental Open

Salary: Base Salary Range

\$2817.00 - \$3263.00

Tenure/Time-base: Permanent Full-time

Permanent Part-time
Permanent Intermittent
Limited Term Full-time
Limited Term Part-Time
Limited Term Intermittent

Position Locations: Norwalk

Sacramento

# **EEO**

An equal opportunity employer to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, age, or sexual orientation.

#### **DRUG-FREE STATEMENT**

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free State work place. Any applicant for State employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective, because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Applicants who meet the Minimum Qualifications as stated on this bulletin may apply for and take this Training and Experience Evaluation at any time.

Once you have taken the Training and Experience Evaluation, you may not retake it for 9 months.

### FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Final Filing Date: Continuous

Where to Apply: Click the link at the bottom of this bulletin.

### SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you have a disability and need special assistance or special testing arrangements, contact the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), Examination Services at (866) 844-8671, or via the California Relay Service for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing at (800) 735-2929 from TTY Phones and (800) 735-2922 from voice phones.

# **SALARY INFORMATION**

Monthly Ranged Salary: Junior Property Appraiser - \$2817.00 - \$3263.00

### **ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION**

An open eligible list will be established by the California Department of Human Resources for use by Board of Equalization. The names of successful competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final score regardless of test date. Eligibility expires 12 months after it is established. Competitors must then retake the Training and Experience Evaluation to reestablish eligibility.

# REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

**NOTE:** All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements as stated on this examination bulletin as of the date the test is taken.

# MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

#### **EITHER I**

**Education:** Equivalent to graduation from college, preferably with major work in agriculture, economics, business administration or engineering. Registration as a senior in a recognized institution will admit applicants to the examination, but they must produce evidence of graduation or its equivalent before they will be considered eligible for appointment.

#### OR II

**Experience:** Four years of experience performing property appraisal work or building cost estimation. (Experience in real estate sales or transfers will not be considered equivalent to the appraisal and valuation work referred to in this requirement.) **and** 

**Education:** Equivalent to completion of the twelfth grade. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.)

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

# **Junior Property Appraiser**

Performs the more routine duties involved in making appraisals of real and personal properties; measures, plots, and describes construction characteristics of residential, small commercial, and farm buildings; classifies them as to use, character of construction, and quality of construction; estimates construction costs and depreciation; prepares forms and other materials for field appraisal work; assists in the preparation of simple legal descriptions of land; assembles and analyzes sales and income data relating to real properties; assists in making economic and cost studies of real properties; inspects and classifies personal property in small commercial properties and small farms and assists in estimating values of such properties; makes and verifies computations involved in cost estimating and appraising.

### **EXAMINATION INFORMATION**

### TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION – Weighted 100%

The examination will consist solely of a Training and Experience Evaluation. To obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum score of 70% must be received. An applicant will receive his/her score upon completion of the Training and Experience Evaluation process.

Click here to preview the Training and Experience Evaluation.

# KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

# Ability to:

- Analyze situations, solve problems, and take timely and effective action.
- Read and understand technical documents that include procedural, administrative, or policy information such as manuals, legislation, or guidelines.
- Analyze and evaluate data (e.g., numerical, graphical, charted, tabulated) to formulate conclusions and take appropriate action.
- Perform mathematical calculations (e.g. addition, subtraction, division, multiplication, geometry, algebra) for appraisal computations.
- Use logic and reasoning to identify strengths and weaknesses when choosing alternatives.
- Draft clear, complete, and concise technical reports to document and communicate conclusions.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relations with coworkers and persons contacted in the course of the work.
- Work independently on an assignment or project and ensure its completion in a timely manner.
- Work as a part of a team on an assignment or project to maximize productivity.
- Effectively communicate in writing, using proper English (e.g., grammar, punctuation, sentence structure) to record and disseminate information.
- Verbally communicate with diverse audiences on property tax issues and related appraisal work.
- Proofread, edit, and prepare written materials (e.g., memos, letters, reports) to assist in the communication of information.
- Be objective and flexible in adapting to changes in priorities, work assignments, and other interactions that may impact pre-established courses of action for completing projects and assignments.
- Prioritize assignments and projects to ensure completion within established timeframes and by expected deadlines.

#### VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Veterans' Preference will be granted for this examination. Effective January 1, 2014, in accordance with Government Codes 18973.1 and 18973.5, whenever any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100 percent-disabled veteran achieves a passing score on an open examination, he or she shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligibility list. This section shall not apply to any veteran who has been dishonorably discharged or released.

Career Credits will not be added to the final score for this exam, because it does not meet the requirements to qualify for Career Credits.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you have any questions concerning this examination bulletin, please contact:

California Department of Human Resources
Attn: Examination Services
1515 S Street
Sacramento, CA 95811
1-866-844-8671

California Relay Service: 1-800-735-2929 (TTY), 1-800-735-2922 (Voice)

TTY is a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf, and is reachable only from phones equipped with a TTY Device.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

**For an examination with a written feature**, it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the testing department three weeks after the Final Filing Date if he/she has not received his/her notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview or performance test fails to reach him/her 3 days prior to their scheduled appointment due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

**Examination Locations:** When a written test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places in California as the number of candidates and conditions warrant. However, locations of interviews or performance evaluations may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

**Applications are available** at <a href="www.jobs.ca.gov">www.jobs.ca.gov</a> and local offices of the Employment Development Department.

**If you meet the requirements** stated on this examination bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be rated against a predetermined job-related rating, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The California Department of Human Resources reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service, should the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules, and all competitors will be notified.

**Candidates needing special testing arrangements** due to a disability must mark the appropriate box on the application and contact the testing department.

**Hiring Interview Scope:** In a hiring interview, in addition to the scope described in this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight may be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience, and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development. For more information, you may refer to the classification specification.

**General Qualifications:** Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, the ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history, and fingerprinting may be required.

**Eligible Lists:** Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) service-wide promotional, 5) departmental open, and 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on the bulletin.

**Veterans' Preference Points:** California Law (Government Code 18971-18978) allows the granting of Veterans' Preference Points in open entrance and open, non-promotional entrance examinations. Veterans' Preference Points will be added to the final score of all competitors who are successful in these types of examinations, and who qualify for, and have requested by mail, these points. **In open (only)** entrance examinations, Veterans' Preference Points are granted as follows: 10 points for veterans, widows and widowers of veterans, and spouses of 100% disabled veterans (5 points for

widows, widowers, and spouses if the veteran was in the National Guard); and 15 points for disabled veterans. In open, non-promotional entrance examinations, Veterans' Preference Points are granted as follows: 10 points for veterans and 15 points for disabled veterans. Employees who have achieved permanent State civil service status are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference Points. "Permanent State civil service status" means the status of an employee who is lawfully retained in his/her position after completion of the applicable probationary period. This includes permanent intermittent, part-time, and full-time appointments. In addition, individuals who at any time achieved permanent State civil service status and subsequently resigned, or were dismissed from State civil service are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference Points. Veteran status is verified by the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR). Directions to apply for Veterans' Preference Points are on the Veterans' Preference Application (Std. Form 1093), which is available at <a href="http://jobs.ca.gov/Job/VeteransInformation">http://jobs.ca.gov/Job/VeteransInformation</a>, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

# TAKING THE EXAM

When you click the link below, you will be directed to the Training and Experience Evaluation. At the end of the Training and Experience Evaluation, it will be instantly scored.

Click here to go to the Training and Experience Evaluation.